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1. Airfield of the City of Knyashpogost. The airfield is 1-1.5 kilometers west of the Vym River in a small plain. It occupies an area that is almost square, with sides about one kilometer long. An ordinary wire fence encloses it. The ground of the airfield is sandy. [redacted] only one small wooden two-story building on the field. There was a strip approximately 150 meters long in front of this building [redacted]

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2. This airfield was reportedly used by the Air Force during the war. [redacted] two-engine Air Force planes use this field. During 1946-47, civilian planes used the airfield. Five or six passenger planes were often seen parked there. In 1947 the airfield was guarded by Soviet soldiers, who were also guards of the exiles in the area of Knyashpogost.

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3. Airfield at Vonsayel. Vonsayel is located between Knyashpogost and the village of Ioser. It is 45-46 kilometers NE of Knyashpogost, 16 kilometers SW of the railroad station of Ioser, and 21 kilometers north of the Kotlas-Ust Kozhva railroad line. The airfield is 500 meters north of the town of Vonsayel. From August to 15 September 1941, approximately 10,000 exiles hurriedly constructed the airfield. It occupies a circular area, the circumference of which is approximately 5-6 kilometers. The ground of the airfield is sandy.

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4. During the war, the field was used only by the Air Force. Afterwards it was used only by civilian planes. During 1946-47, [redacted] 5-6 passenger airplanes called Kulakuznik (?) and one or two smaller ones.

5. The following installations are found on the airfield:

- A two-story wooden building, which is used as airfield headquarters.
- A wooden shed, approximately 50 meters long and 20 meters wide, which is used as a workshop for repairing aircraft. It has two entrances which open and close with wooden doors. The planes entered through one entrance and came out of the other after being repaired.

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- c. There was a wireless set and a balloon near the airfield headquarters.
- d. There are two semi-underground stores for oil and gasoline.
- 6. Airfield at Aikino. There is a small airfield just outside the city near the Vyn River. It is used only by one or two Kukuruznik (?) airplanes.
- 7. Airfield of Syktyvkar. An airfield is located a short distance from the city of Syktyvkar.

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